

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Kjell EKBERG et al.

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For: SYSTEM FOR PREPARATION OF A SOLUTION AND
USE OF THE SOLUTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following paragraph after the last paragraph beginning on page 3, line 31:

--Fig. 11 is a schematic representation of the sterilization or disinfection treatment carried out in a plurality of steps or segments according to another embodiment of the invention.--

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are pending in the present application.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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